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Declaration and Power of Attorney For Patent Application

English Language Declaration

As a below named inventor, I hereby declare that:

My residence, post office address and citizenship are as stated below next to my name,

I believe I am the original, first and sole inventor (if only one name is listed below) or an original, first and joint inventor (if plural names are listed below) of the subject matter which is claimed and for which a patent is sought on the invention entitled

METHOD FOR CONNECTING A FIRST OBJECT TO A SECOND OBJECT WHICH HAS A PARTLY OPEN STRUCTURE

the specification of which

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is attached hereto.
 was filed on 15 January 1999 as United States Application No. or PCT International Application Number PCT/NL99/00025
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I hereby state that I have reviewed and understand the contents of the above identified specification, including the claims, as amended by any amendment referred to above.

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Prior Foreign Application(s)

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as set forth in his United States Patent Application

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